## PROCEDURES FOR DISCHARGING BAIL IN CERTAIN CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS

#### **CHAPTER 152**

H.B. No. 643

### AN ACT

relating to the procedures for discharging bail in certain criminal proceedings.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Article 32.01, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

Art. 32.01. DEFENDANT IN CUSTODY AND NO INDICTMENT PRESENTED. (a) When a defendant has been detained in custody or held to bail for the defendant's [his] appearance to answer any criminal accusation, the prosecution, unless otherwise ordered by the court, for good cause shown, supported by affidavit, shall be dismissed and the bail discharged, if indictment or information be not presented against the [such] defendant on or before the last day of the next term of the court which is held after the defendant's [his] commitment or admission to bail or on or before the 180th day after the date of commitment or admission to bail, whichever date is later.

(b) A surety may file a motion under Subsection (a) for the purpose of discharging the defendant's bail only.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

Passed by the House on April 17, 2015: Yeas 142, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 15, 2015: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved May 28, 2015.

Effective September 1, 2015.

# REQUIREMENTS OF CERTAIN MINORS APPLYING FOR A HUNTING OR FISHING LICENSE

### **CHAPTER 153**

H.B. No. 821

#### AN ACT

relating to the requirements of certain minors applying for a hunting or fishing license.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 231.302, Family Code, is amended by amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsection (c-2) to read as follows:

- (c) Except as provided by Subsection (c-1) or (c-2), to assist in the administration of laws relating to child support enforcement under Parts A and D of Title IV of the federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. Section 601 et seq. [Sections 601-617] and 42 U.S.C. Section 651 et seq. [651-669]):
  - (1) each licensing authority shall request and each applicant for a license shall provide the applicant's social security number;
  - (2) each agency administering a contract that provides for a payment of state funds shall request and each individual or entity bidding on a state contract shall provide the individual's or entity's social security number as required by Section 231.006; and
  - (3) each agency administering a state-funded grant or loan program shall request and each applicant for a grant or loan shall provide the applicant's social security number as required by Section 231.006.
  - (c-2) For purposes of issuing a fishing or hunting license, the Texas Parks and Wildlife

Department is not required to request, and an applicant is not required to provide, the applicant's social security number if the applicant is 13 years of age or younger.

SECTION 2. Subchapter A, Chapter 11, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended by adding Section 11.005 to read as follows:

- Sec. 11.005. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS OF CERTAIN MINORS. (a) The commission may not adopt rules that require a person 13 years of age or younger who applies for a license under Chapter 42, 46, or 50 to provide the applicant's social security number.
- (b) The commission may adopt a rule requiring an applicant described by Subsection (a) or the applicant's parent or guardian to sign a statement that the applicant is not an obligor subject to a child support order.
- SECTION 3. Not later than December 1, 2015, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission shall adopt any necessary rules to implement this Act.
- SECTION 4. The change in law made by this Act applies only to an application for a hunting or fishing license that is submitted on or after January 1, 2016. An application submitted before that date is governed by the law in effect immediately before the effective date of this Act, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

Passed by the House on April 30, 2015: Yeas 140, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 14, 2015: Yeas 30, Nays 1.

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# CREATING A CRIMINAL OFFENSE REGARDING THE BREACH OF COMPUTER SECURITY

#### **CHAPTER 154**

H.B. No. 896

#### AN ACT

relating to creating a criminal offense regarding the breach of computer security.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 33.02, Penal Code, is amended by amending Subsection (b-1) and adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

- (b-1) A person commits an offense if, with the intent to defraud or harm another or alter, damage, or delete property, the person knowingly accesses:
- (1) a computer, computer network, or computer system without the effective consent of the owner; or
  - (2) a computer, computer network, or computer system:
    - (A) that is owned by:
      - (i) the government; or
      - (ii) a business or other commercial entity engaged in a business activity;
    - (B) in violation of:
    - (i) a clear and conspicuous prohibition by the owner of the computer, computer network, or computer system; or
      - (ii) a contractual agreement to which the person has expressly agreed; and
  - (C) with the intent to obtain or use a file, data, or proprietary information stored in the computer, network, or system to defraud or harm another or alter, damage, or delete property.